

## House Resolution 159

By: Representatives Rogers of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Hawkins of the 27<sup>th</sup>, Dunahoo of the 30<sup>th</sup>, and Barr of the 103<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Asa Talmadge Autry; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Asa Talmadge Autry on July 12, 2014; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Asa was born on September 19, 1918, a beloved son of Asa Gwinn and Clyde  
5 Maxey Autry; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
7 States Army 214th coast artillery anti-aircraft, valiantly and courageously protecting his  
8 fellow Americans during the World War II and served over seven years, retiring as Sergeant;  
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, for 27 years, Asa hosted the 214th regimental reunion, and veterans from all  
11 over the United States attended; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Asa was a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church; a member of Angler  
13 SS Class, Masonic Lodge 219, and Lanier Shrine Club Yaarab Temple, American Legion,  
14 VFW, Lions Club; and former member of First Christian Church where he served as deacon,  
15 elder, and chairman of the board; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Asa was united in love and marriage to Grace Cronic Autry; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
18 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
19 family and friends were admired by others; and

20 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
21 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
22 made this world a better place in which to live; and

23 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Asa will long be remembered for his love  
24 of family and friendship, and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing  
25 him.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
27 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Asa Talmadge Autry and  
28 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
31 family of Asa Talmadge Autry.